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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Usman VAKIL, et al.

Title: **DIGITAL BALLAST**

Appl. No.: 10/680,792

Filing Date: 10/7/2003

Examiner: Wilson LEE

Art Unit: 2821 CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a previous assertion of Small Entity status.
- Assertion of Small Entity status is enclosed.
- [X] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims As		Previously		Extra Claims				Additional
	Amended		Paid For		Present		Rate		Claims Fee
Total Claims:	30	-	47	=	0	X	\$50.00	=	\$0.00
Independent Claims:	3	-	4	=	0	x	\$200.00	=	\$0.00
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[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[] Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$120.00	\$0.00	
[X] Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$450.00	\$450.00	
[] Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$1,020.00	\$0.00	
[] Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,590.00	\$0.00	
[] Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,160.00	\$0.00	
EXTENSION FE	EE TOTAL:	\$450.00	
[] Statutory Disclaimer Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d):	\$130.00	\$0.00	
CLAIMS, EXTENSION AND DISCLAIMER FE	EE TOTAL:	\$450.00	
[] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		
TC	OTAL FEE:	\$450.00	

- Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0872 in the amount of \$450.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.
- [X] A check in the amount of \$450.00 is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0872. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 50-0872. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0872.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: _____February 16, 2005

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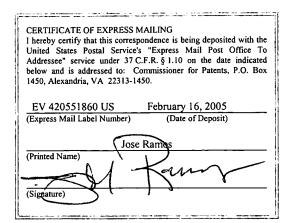
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed November 16, 2004, Applicant hereby provisionally elects Group I, Claims 1-30, for examination, with traverse. Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application on the non-elected claims.

The Examiner has required restriction between Claims 1-30 (Group I), drawn to a ballast for discharge lamp, classified in class 315, subclass 291, and Claims 31-47, (Group II), drawn to a ceiling fan, classified in class 392, subclass 362.

If any additional information is needed for responding to the restriction requirement or any other aspect of the Office Action dated November 16, 2004, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles telephone number (310) 975-7963.

Examination of the application, including the elected claims, and allowance of the application

are hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted

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